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for city work. "No doubt, he has tried to save the city money, but why does he keep a man on the job who owns a grocery store full of food?" asked Klusman.

Steiner Defends

Councilman Steiner defended Gascoigne, stating that he had worked with him for three years and had always found him a conscientious worker.

"Some people have short memories," stated Steiner. "Some of you will remember a few years ago when the septic tank was clogged up and the county board of health ordered it cleaned out. The deadly sewer gas was backing up and endangering the lives of the people living in Torrance homes. The county health department ordered the tank cleaned out. Our engineer at that time, who is now city engineer of Los Angeles, ordered eight men to go in and clean out the tank. Realizing that it meant almost certain death for all of them, Billie Gascoigne stepped up and said, 'These men are working under me. If it is necessary for anyone to take such a risk, I will do it myself.' Billy Gascoigne and another man went in and did the job. The other man has been dead several years, and Gascoigne lay sick in bed for four months. Just

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Chief Calder Assailed

Klusman next assailed Chief of Police Calder. He accused the chief of refusing to wear his uniform, and of walking around like a plain clothes snoot. He also criticized the chief for holding his arm, and thereby placing him under technical arrest, at a council meeting some time ago when Klusman and Mayor Dennis were engaged in an argument.

Conner Answers

Councilman Conner answered, "I was there at the meeting to which Mayor Klusman refers, and will say, if the chief didn't restrain Klusman, he ought to have, as he was acting under directions of the mayor."

"Councilman Conner, head of the police committee, stated that since the election, he had been called on the telephone by persons who refused to give their names and had threatened him. 'They've said to me on the phone, Earl Conner, if you appoint an American Legion or Masonic member on the police force, we'll bomb your place of business,' declared the councilman.

Conner stated that apparently Klusman was not taking seriously what he said on election night and the day following when he agreed to 'bury the sins of his brethren,'

as tonight he has jumped over the traces. "What kind of a government would we have if every man were thrown out as soon as a new administration is installed?" asked Conner.

"We are asked to discharge all our department heads and five minutes before this meeting began were given a slip by the mayor with three names on it, only one choice for each office," said Conner.

The Herald learned later that the three appointments proposed by Mayor Klusman were; Herbert S. Summers for city engineer; Beverly B. Smith for street superintendent; and Motorcycle Officer Bill Malin for chief of police.

Klusman's Appointees

Next to be attacked was City Engineer Leonard. Klusman stated he had nothing against Leonard professionally, and that while Leonard was active in the campaign against him, he did not oppose him for that reason. "Mr. Leonard has been a gentleman and has expressed his opinion which is his right," said Klusman.

Klusman then reiterated that the old administration had been repudiated, and that he didn't think they ought to keep the old gang in. He stated that Leonard was a former Dominguez Land Corporation man, and that after the election he intended to be done with the Dominguez Land Corporation. "We want to break loose from something that has held the town down for 12 years. I am going to fight for my constituents," shouted Klusman.

Steiner Comments

Councilman Steiner reminded Mayor Klusman that at one time Klusman was employed by the Union Tool, and asked that by the same token would it be assumed that the mayor is dominated by the Union Tool now that he is on the council? Steiner stated that Leonard had served the city well and faithfully and that his work had been commended favorably by the county engineering department and the county planning board.

"Mr. Leonard has never faltered in his duty, whether it be early in the morning or late at night. I don't believe Mayor Klusman's complaint is a reasonable cause for removal. There is no politics and no religion in my department," said Steiner.

Ludlow Talks

Councilman Ludlow then arose and stated that he had known Klusman for 12 years and ever since that time Klusman has been engendering bitterness. "But I refuse to let that bitterness enter my heart," said Ludlow. Councilman Ludlow continued, saying he refused to act as a politician, but he reserved the right to act according to his own judgment. "When I accepted office, I didn't turn my judgment over to a clique," said Ludlow.

Ludlow stated that he didn't believe in making changes until all the facts were known. We must find out who the inefficient ones are, first. I don't intend to stand for wrong doings, said Ludlow.

Resignations Not Expected

Councilman Steiner stated that Leonard and Gascoigne could not be expected to offer their resignations, they were working under him in both the old as well as the new administration. It is not fair to charge them with an unpatriotic act, said Steiner.

Councilman Conner stated that Chief Calder had offered to resign, but that he told him he didn't think it was customary for the help to resign when a business changes hands.

Wright Answers

Councilman Wright stated he had made no promises before election, and that he had not asked for the support of the Citizens' League. "I am not bound by any individual or organization. All I agreed to do was the best I knew how," concluded Wright.

Motion Adopted

The argument ended when Councilman Steiner offered a motion that all appointive officers continue in office for the ensuing year. Steiner, Conner and Wright voted in the affirmative and Klusman and Ludlow in the negative.

Steiner stated that he thought the action was necessary in order to not demoralize the departments. He reminded Mayor Klusman that he had expressed his determination to carry on the fight toousthe city officials for the next four years. "We should assure the employees of the city that they can trust the council," said Steiner.

Councilman Steiner referred to the present type of council meetings as a "burlesque and that no constructive civic work could be done as long as they continued.

Audience Battles

The second half of the verbal battle was carried on between members of the audience.

Karl Semonetz asked, "Do you want to put every city employe into politics?"

Rev. M. F. Cameron opened a talk on municipal self-government.

"Before election, I talked over your heads," said Cameron. "That's why I didn't get in office."

Elth Drake asked, "Does Rev. Cameron consider that anyone in the room has any brains except himself?"

Cameron countered, "I would like to ask the gentleman one question. What do you do?"

"I am an engineer," said Drake. "What kind of an engineer?" asked Cameron.

"A mechanical engineer," replied Drake.

"How much do you know about engineering?" asked Cameron.

"More than you do," replied Drake, which brought loud laughter from the audience and Mayor Klusman rapped them both down.

WOMAN'S CLUB

LOCAL WOMEN ATTEND P. V. CLUB LUNCHEON

Seven Torrance women this week enjoyed the regular open-house luncheon given by Norman Marunga at the Palms Verdes Golf clubhouse every Tuesday afternoon. The dining room at the clubhouse is now open to the public for dinners, luncheons and teas, and the open-house bridge luncheons are to be a regular feature, according to the club manager. Door and table prizes are donated by Mr. Marunga. Through an error in last week's Herald, the impression was given that the golf course is also open to the public. This is an error, as only the dining room and bridge facilities are available to non-members. Among those in attendance at the bridge luncheon this week were: Mesdames Geo. P. Shidler, L. B. Kelsey, J. R. Jensen, N. F. Jamieson, R. J. Deinger, E. C. Nelson and Geo. Worcester.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB MEETS

Mrs. Baker Smith was hostess when she entertained her bridge club at her home on El Dorado Tuesday afternoon. Blue and pink were cleverly accented in the decorations and accessories and flowers in pastel shades were used throughout the rooms. High score awards were received by Mrs. L. Fordice, Mrs. H. A. Lewis, while Mrs. V. L. Maxwell received a consolation. Present were Mrs. John Dennis, Mrs. W. W. West, Mrs. H. A. Lewis, Mrs. J. O. Moore, Mrs. J. H. Fess, Mrs. Mae Sidebotham, Mrs. Fred Knudson, Mrs. J. F. Dalton, Mrs. R. L. McFarland, Mrs. L. L. Fordice and Mrs. V. L. Maxwell of Los Angeles.

Mrs. J. P. Buck and Mrs. Charles Kelton of Portola Apartments attended the funeral of Robert Westworth at Gilliland Funeral Home, Hawthorne, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bessie Sidebotham attended a house party at Balboa last week where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Mansfield of Los Angeles.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IS ENTERTAINED

Miss Katherine Burmaster was hostess when she entertained members of her Sunday school class at her home on Esgracia avenue Monday evening. Following a business session a social evening was enjoyed. Miss Burmaster was presented with a beautiful pewter gift as a prenuptial tribute from the class. Included were Myrtle Melzer, Elizabeth Neelande, Ines Smith, Norma McCornick, Virginia and Jeannette Michaelson, Norma Hudson and Margaret Kibbe.

MISS HURLEY LEAVES FOR IRELAND

As a farewell tribute to Miss Mary Hurley, who left Tuesday for several months' vacation in Ireland, more than 25 members of the Catholic Ladies' Altar Society surprised her at her home on Esgracia avenue Monday evening presenting her with \$10.00 in gold. Miss Scallen was also honored when a group of her friends arrived at her home Saturday evening. Included were Miss Wanda Stachowicz, Misses Edna and Mary Mullin, Misses Rosa and Katherine Ortmann and Miss Mary Scallen. A social evening was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Priestly of Montebello were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Sullivan at their home Monday evening.

Mrs. May McKinley and son, Forrest, were business visitors to Long Beach Tuesday. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. W. Fred Bowen of Los Angeles and later attended the Knights Templar convalescent held at the Long Beach city auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Babbitt, Mrs. Michael Strasser and Miss Margaret Crimmins of Los Angeles were dinner guests of Mr. Strasser at his new home in Corona Thursday evening.

Dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Neelande Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hand of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Ripney and family of San Pedro.

F. H. Clark and Fred Tiffany joined a group who motored to Randsburg and other points near Mojave for a short trip.

Woman's Club Notes

Highlights of early California history as they shine today in the romantic Spanish place-names for which this section is noted will be the theme of an address to be delivered before the Torrance Woman's Club meeting next Wednesday by Miss Mariona Parks, historical writer and lecturer of the Security-First National Bank.

Miss Parks entered the field of historical research immediately upon her graduation from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1925.

She had charge of the loan exhibition of early American during 1926 at the Exposition Park Museum which was visited by more than 100,000 people. Later she became assistant secretary of the Southwest Museum.

Mrs. Bessie Ochs, president of the Calif-Asia Company of Los Angeles and Shanghai will be the luncheon speaker on Wednesday, May 4.

Mrs. Ochs will speak about commerce and foreign relations, being well qualified to give an interesting picture of Oriental customs.

Election of officers will be held at this meeting. Polls will be open from 12:00 o'clock until 2:00 p. m.

Luncheon will be served at 1:30 and reservations may be made by calling Mrs. W. H. Gilbert, 420.

This will be the annual birthday luncheon and members and their guests will be seated at tables decorated to represent their natal month.

Don't forget the bean supper to be served at 6:00 o'clock tomorrow evening. Come and bring your friends. Admission 25 cents.

John Dennis joined members of the Metropolitan Water Board on a three-day tour of inspection of activities at the Hoover Dam, visiting Indio, California, and Parker, Nevada.

Miss Margaret Crimmins of Los Angeles was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Babbitt last week.

Conquers Vines



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Wilmer Allison, Flashy Austin, Tex. Davis cup star, added new laurels to his well-studded crown by defeating Ellsworth Vines of Pasadena, national singles tennis champion, in the North and South net championships at Pinehurst, N. C.

Vines gave up only after a bitter struggle, as scores of 3-6, 6-4, 7-5, 5-7, 6-1 indicate.

NEW HOUSE ERECTED IN SOUTH TORRANCE

A building permit to erect a four-room house and a garage to cost \$2000 was issued this week to Z. R. Reynolds of Hollywood. The dwelling will be built at 2853 Elgin street, South Torrance. F. R. Hill, also of Hollywood, is the contractor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Cook of Lomita were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Nickell of Huntington Beach Sunday.

at Narbonne High School

Tennis eliminations to decide the Narbonne tennis teams were held Monday, April 25. The first singles match was won by David Birdall and the second singles by Mike Yelovich. Bob Brumpton and Jack Rathbun will make up the first doubles team, and Robert Fenton and Wilfred Walker, the second doubles. Their first league match was scheduled for Wednesday, April 27, against Gardena.

His high captured the Class A track championship when they made 49 1/2 points at the finals held at South Gate April 22.

Four of Narbonne's seven entries placed in their events. Wayne Wueinich took third in the 880-yard run; Hede Watanabe was fifth in the 220-yard low hurdles, and Hugh Lang and Elmer Holman both cleared 11 feet for a tie for fourth in the pole vault. The total number of points gained by Narbonne was five.

Evangelical Church Holds Annual Meeting

Election of officers was held at the annual meeting of the Central Evangelical church on Tuesday evening, April 26. John Ferguson was re-elected trustee for the five-year term, and F. C. Winkler, re-elected for the one-year term.

Sunday school officers are W. E. Bowen, superintendent; W. H. Haslam, assistant superintendent; Elmer Clark, secretary, and Margaret Condon, pianist.

Supper was served at 6 o'clock, after which the business session was called to order at 6:40 by the chairman, Rev. O. D. Wonder.

Reports of the various heads of departments outlined the work accomplished during the past year. The pastor reported on the condition of the church, his report showing a gratifying growth.

The church year closes April 30, after which Rev. Wonder will attend the annual conference at Anaheim on May 11.

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